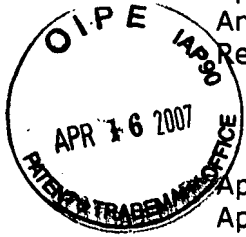


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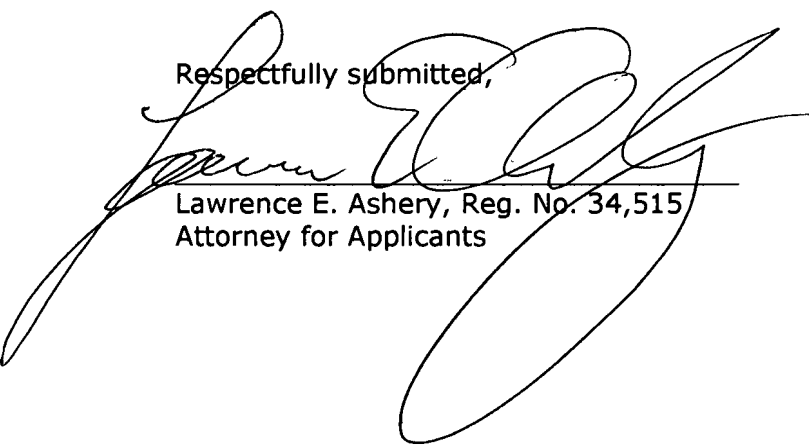
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This is in response to the Restriction Requirement stated in the Office Letter dated **March 12, 2007**.

The Examiner requires that claims of either Embodiment I, Fig. 24, or Embodiment II, Fig. 25 be elected for prosecution. Applicants elect to prosecute Embodiment I, Fig. 24, Claims 81, 85-86, and 90-91. This election is made without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,



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